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In re Application of Examiner: Gary W. COUNTS Norman G. ANDERSON et al. Group Art Unit: 1641 Serial No.: 09/921,004 I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO number 703-308-4242 by Filed: August 3, 2001 For: QUANTIFICATION OF LOW) MOLECULAR WEIGHT AND)

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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LOW ABUNDANCE

Date: August 7, 2003

John E. Tarcza

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection mailed May 7, 2003, wherein the Examiner set a three-month period for response, this response is timely filed.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.